

People

Purpose

Pride

Perseverance

*The Covid-19 pandemic has had a tremendous impact on our campus and community. The people of UK Facilities Management remain the “boots on the ground” for UK, providing the essential services needed to keep our campus safe, secure, and positioned to respond to the evolving crisis. The strength each of you demonstrate daily is inspiring and represents such courage and compassion. We are in this together and we will get through it together. **Thank you for everything you do.** – Mary Vosevich, Vice President for Facilities Management*



Upgrades coming for the Whitehall Classroom Building. For the past two years, **Facilities Management** has spearheaded the ‘modernization’ of our older core buildings with a focus on 21st century learning, access and inclusion, student success, safety and energy efficiency. This spring, **Capital Projects Management** will launch a two-phase project to provide much needed renovations and upgrades to the restrooms in the Whitehall Classroom Building. **Brian Hoerr** is the project manager. The first phase will focus on restrooms in the basement and on the west side of the building. The second phase will upgrade the remaining restrooms. The project will also add two, single-user restrooms. The phased approach will allow the building, which hosts classes for more than 10,000 students weekly, to remain fully functional throughout the project.



Integrated Pest Management: Stewardship, Health and Cost Effectiveness. Our campus is situated on 800 beautiful acres, shaded by more than 12,000 trees, accented by thousands and thousands of shrubs and flowers, all cared for by our talented **Grounds Crew**. These grounds play a very important role in recruiting students to the University. Keeping our landscapes healthy and beautiful requires thoughtful planning, plant care, and management of pests and diseases. Integrated Pest Management, or IPM, is an important part of how we do this work. Successful IPM minimizes negative impacts on human health and the environment by 1) employing a deep understanding of plants and pests, 2) using the least toxic, effective controls, 3) monitoring through regular, careful inspection, and 4) doing so within available resources. Our efforts on this front are led by **Stacy Borden**, who was recently promoted to Grounds Manager.

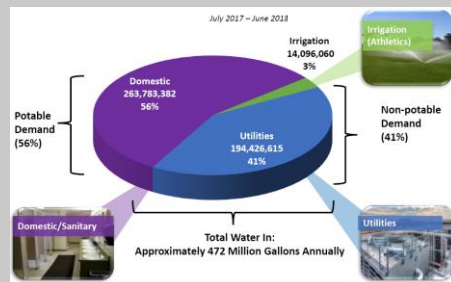


Faces of Facilities – A new, weekly feature

Anthony Woods works for **Trucking** in **Facilities Services**, helping with event set ups, moves, surplus collection and recycling. He has been part of the Facilities team for two years and with the University for 15 years. Before joining Facilities Management, Anthony worked for UK Auxiliary Services. Anthony is a Lexington native and has one daughter, Elizabeth, 15. He enjoys hiking, camping, and boating on the weekends when he’s not working. Regarding our current situation, he really appreciates the safety check points that UK HealthCare has put in place to protect patients and staff.

Facilities Fact: Campus Water Use

The University of Kentucky uses **472 million gallons** of water each year. That’s enough water to fill 715 Olympic-sized swimming pools. **Utilities and Energy Management** is responsible for the systems that deliver water to campus buildings.



Share your Stories:

We want to highlight how you and your co-workers are rising to the challenges posed by our current situation. Send story ideas to shane.tedder@uky.edu